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## **ORDER**

## OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SURPRISE, ARIZONA TERMINATING THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DATED MARCH 17, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Surprise (the "City"), Skip Hall, proclaimed that a local emergency exists in the City of Surprise due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 26-307, Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 26-311, Section 2-40 of the City of Surprise Municipal Code, and the March 17, 2020 Declaration of Emergency empowers the Mayor to govern by proclamation and impose all necessary regulations to preserve the peace and order of the city;

WHEREAS, On June 19, 2020, the Mayor executed a Second Proclamation, mandating the use of face coverings in public settings (with exceptions) within the corporate boundaries of the City as a mitigating measure and as a response to the increasing COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths reported within the state of Arizona;

**WHEREAS**, On March 25, 2021, the Mayor executed a Third Proclamation, rescinding the Second Proclamation and thereby terminating the City's mandated use of face coverings in public settings;

WHEREAS, since April 2021, according to data published by the state of Arizona, the number of COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths in Arizona continue to decline, and approximately 48.1% of Arizona's population has been vaccinated; and

**WHEREAS**, City facilities are now open to the public and the majority of city programs, services, and events, with certain COVID-19 mitigation protocols in place, have been reinstated.

**THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:** That the Proclamation of the Mayor of the City of Surprise, executed on March 17, 2020, declaring an emergency, is terminated.

ORDERED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SURPRISE, ARIZONA THIS 15 DAY OF JUNE, 2021.

Skip Hall, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Sherry Aguilar, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Robert W. Wingo, City Attorney